



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 5788
Tsuneo YASUMA et al. : **Mail Stop: Amendment**
Serial No. 10/594,996 : Attorney Docket No. 2006_1537A
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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated September 24, 2008.

Claims 1, 3-10, 13 and 19-20 are provisionally rejected on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims of co-pending application Serial No. 10/584,481.

A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted concurrently herewith in conformance with U.S. practice.

Accordingly, this ground of rejection is deemed to be overcome.

Request for Acknowledgement of Claim of Priority

The Examiner has never acknowledged the claim for foreign priority in this application under 35 USC 119. Furthermore, the Examiner has never acknowledged receipt of all certified copies of the priority documents from the International Bureau.

The Examiner is kindly requested to acknowledge the claim for foreign priority and receipt of the certified priority documents in the Notice of Allowance.